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Houston’s nationally ranked Bayou City Art Festival Downtown is set for October 10-11. The juried fine art festival, framed by Houston’s world class skyline, is a one-of-a-kind outdoor gallery with its highly acclaimed mix of visual, performing, culinary and interactive arts. This year, 850 national and international artists vied for 300 juried positions, which is up by nearly 20 percent over 2008, the previous all-time high.

Over the two day festival, art lovers will enjoy Downtown’s newly fashioned pedestrian promenades in and around City Hall/Hermann Square. Walker, Bagby and McKinney Streets will be closed to vehicular traffic and lined with artists’ booths, where patrons can interact with artists one on one. The festival also encompasses Houston Public Library Downtown Plaza and Sam Houston Park.

Returning this year is the ever-popular Capital One Bank Creative Zone for children to experience the fun of making art projects they can take home. Other offerings include the Houston Arts Alliance performance stage with continuous multi-cultural musical and dance shows and in-person art demonstrations.

The media formats at the Festival will include clay, drawing/pastel, fiber/textiles, furniture, glass, jewelry, leather, metal, mixed media, painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture, watercolor and wood. The “Art on Water” floating art installation will grace City Hall’s Hermann Square Reflection Pool.

A bevy of restaurants and wine cafes will offer American and international fare for tastebuds of all ages. New this fall will be the Epicurean Adventure, presented by the Houstonian Lite Health Club, which boasts wine tastings and free professional chefs’ cooking demonstrations. Tickets are \$10 for adults and free for children age 12 and under.

Bayou City Art Festival
October 10-11
City Hall, 901 Bagby
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